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1/ KANYANGAMBI HAS LEFT HIS FIVE CHILDREN DIVIDED BETWEEN HIS MOTHER AND WIFE S MOTHER IN DIFFERENT LOCATIONS ON OUTSKIRTS OF BUKAVU. CONTACT WITH FAMILIES DIFFICULT SINCE NEITHER HAS PHONE.

2/ CONSUL VISITED BOTH HOMES FEBRUARY 8 AND SAW CHILDREN. ALL FIVE APPEARED TO BE IN GOOD HEALTH. GIRL AGED 4 HAD RECENTLY UNDERGONE TREATMENT FOR WORMS. ELDEST CHILDREN AGED 7 AND 5 SAID TO BE ATTENDING SCHOOL BUT FUNDS LACKING FOR PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS AND NOTEBOOKS FOR THEM.

3/ BOTH FAMILIES RECEIVED LETTERS FROM KANYANGAMBI MAILED ON JAN. 6 ANNOUNCING HIS WIFE S RETURN TO BUKAVU ABOUT FEB. 28. EACH LETTER CONTAINED CHECK FOR TWENTY ZAIRES (FORTY DOLLARS) FOR SUPPORT OF CHILDREN BUT NEITHER CHECK HONORED WHEN PRESENTED TO BANQUE DU PEUPLE HERE BECAUSE OF INSUFFICIENT FUNDS IN KANYANGAMBI S ACCOUNT.

4/ KANYANGAMBI MAY THEREFORE WISH TO MAKE IMMEDIATE TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO HIS ACCOUNT.

5/ IF TRUE THAT MRS. KANYANGAMBI INTENDING RETURN HERE, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT KANYANGAMBI LETTER TO IIE HAS CAUSED NEED-UNCLASSIFIED

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LESS TROUBLE. CONSULATE CANNOT JUDGE QUALITY OF CARE CHILDREN

RECEIVING ON CONTINUING BASIS.

6/ CONSULATE BELIEVES MRS. KANYANGAMBI MADE CLEAR TO HER HUSBAND BEFORE DEPARTING BUKAVU IN MAY, 1974 THAT SHE WAS NOT ABLE TO DRAW FIFTY PER CENT OF HIS SALARY AND WAS THEREFORE DEPENDENT UPON REMITANCES FROM HIM. THIS SITUATION HAS NOT CHANGED. NEITHER HIS MOTHER OR HERS EXPRESSED ANY HOPE OF DRAWING MONEY FROM EDUCATION MINISTRY.

7/ FOR DEPARTMENT: CONSULATE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INCLUDED AS ADDRESSEE ON ANY FURTHER MESSAGES CONCERNING KANYANGAMBI. HOPE-FULLY IN FUTURE HE WILL AVOID ALARMIST TONE AND COMMUNICATE THROUGH INTERNATIONAL MAIL WHICH NORMALLY REACHES BUKAVU IN 10 - 15 DAYS FROM U.S. LOVING

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